

**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES  
WORKSHEET FOR CEQA EXEMPTIONS**

*(To be completed by public agencies only, acting as, or on behalf of, applicants)*

**GENERAL INFORMATION**

1. Name of project: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Water system number \_\_\_\_\_ State Revolving Fund number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_
3. Name of applicant/water system: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Name of contact person for this project: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Check the appropriate box below.  
☐ Construction completed  
☐ Construction in progress:      Completion date \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Construction not started:      Start date \_\_\_\_\_ Completion date \_\_\_\_\_

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION** *(fill in blanks or provide attachment, e.g., application description)*

1. Operation of the existing water system (Description of water source and treatment, storage and distribution facilities): \_\_\_\_\_  
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2. Project location (give description of the precise location and boundaries and attach a detailed location map): \_\_\_\_\_  
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3. Important – For projects involving State Revolving Fund federal funding, attach a site plan and a 7.5' USGS topographical map section with the project's area of potential effects clearly delineated.
4. Proposed facilities – new facilities, modifications, or replacements (please indicate which)
  - a. Wells (capacity, depth, and enclosing structure): \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - b. Surface water diversions (source name, diversion structure, etc): \_\_\_\_\_  
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  - c. Connections with other systems: \_\_\_\_\_
  - d. Emergency connections: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- e. Treatment facilities (give size, capacities, and enclosing structures): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- f. Storage facilities  
(1) Tanks (physical dimensions and capacity; any location changes; and describe enclosing structure, if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_  
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(2) Open reservoirs (surface area and capacity; any location changes): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- g. Conveyance facilities (give size of pumps, and length and diameter of pipelines - indicate if pipelines will be located entirely within rights-of-way): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- h. Proposed appurtenant structures (list the dimension of any new structures and their purpose): \_\_\_\_\_  
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- i. Proposed parking facilities: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- j. Proposed staging areas: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- k. Proposed lighting: \_\_\_\_\_  
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5. Facilities or structures to be removed or wells to be closed: \_\_\_\_\_  
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6. Describe any grading or excavation work, and any planned measures to restore area: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**REASONS WHY THE PROJECT IS CONSIDERED EXEMPT:** Check appropriate box(es)

1. CCR, Title 22, Section 60101 Specific Activities Within Categorical Exemption Classes
  - (b) Class 1: Modification of Existing Facilities
    - (1) Addition, deletion, or modification of:
      1. ☐ Mechanical controls for:
        - a. ☐ Water treatment units
        - b. ☐ Water supply systems
        - c. ☐ Pump station buildings
      2. ☐ Electrical controls for:
        - a. ☐ Water treatment units
        - b. ☐ Water supply systems
        - c. ☐ Pump station buildings
      3. ☐ Hydraulic controls for:
        - a. ☐ Water treatment units
        - b. ☐ Water supply systems
        - c. ☐ Pump station buildings
    - (2) Maintenance, repair, replacement, or reconstruction to any water treatment process units, including:
      1. ☐ Structures
      2. ☐ Filters
      3. ☐ Pumps
      4. ☐ Chlorinators
  - (c) Class 2: Replacement or Reconstruction
    - (1) Repair or replacement of:
      1. ☐ Water service connections
      2. ☐ Meters
      3. ☐ Valves for:
        - a. ☐ Backflow prevention
        - b. ☐ Air release
        - c. ☐ Pressure regulation
        - d. ☐ Shut-off
        - e. ☐ Blow-off
        - f. ☐ Flushing
    - (2) Replacement or reconstruction of:
      1. ☐ Existing water supply distribution lines of substantially the same size. Describe any size increase: \_\_\_\_\_
      2. ☐ Storage tanks and reservoirs of substantially the same size. Describe any size increase: \_\_\_\_\_
    - (3) Replacement or reconstruction of:
      1. ☐ Water wells of substantially the same capacity. Describe any capacity increase: \_\_\_\_\_

2. ☐ Pump stations and related appurtenances of substantially the same capacity. Describe any capacity increase: \_\_\_\_\_
- (d) Class 3: New Construction of Small Structures:
- (1) ☐ Construction of water supply and distribution lines of less than sixteen inches in diameter, and related appurtenances
- (2) ☐ Construction of any water storage tanks and reservoirs of less than 100,000-gallon capacity
- (e) Class 4: Minor Alterations to land
- (1) ☐ Minor alterations to land, water or vegetation on any officially existing designated wildlife management areas or fish production facilities for the purpose of reducing the environmental potential for nuisances or vector production
- (2) ☐ Any minor alterations to highway crossing for water supply and distribution lines
2. CCR, Title 14 (CEQA Guidelines)
- (a) ☐ Section 15269 (a) statutory exemption for declared emergencies
- (b) ☐ Section 15269 (b) statutory exemption for emergency repairs
- (c) ☐ Section 15269 (c) statutory exemption for emergency prevention
- (d) ☐ Section 15282 (l) statutory exemption for right-of-way pipelines <1 mile
- (e) ☐ Section 15282 (n) statutory exemption for water fluoridation facilities
- (f) ☐ Other (list specific code reference) \_\_\_\_\_

**EXCEPTIONS** (Some items are repeated under the Federal Crosscutters Section and may be referenced if applicable)

- A. Location in an area of Critical Concern: For Categorical Exemption Classes 3, 4, 5, 6, and 11): Could the project result in impacts with regards to an environmental resource of hazardous or critical concern where designated, precisely mapped and officially adopted pursuant to law by federal, state, or local agencies? Discuss below all items checked yes (attach additional sheets as necessary).

- |     | Yes                      | No                       |   |
|-----|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| 1.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Special status species  |
| 2.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Critical habitat (for special status species)   |
| 3.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Unique habitat (e.g., wild life refuge, deer wintering range, etc.)   |
| 4.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Prime or Unique farmland, or farmland of statewide importance<br>Internet address: <a href="http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/fmmp_maps.htm">http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/fmmp_maps.htm</a>  |
| 5.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Wetlands  |
| 6.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Wild and scenic rivers<br>Internet website address: <a href="http://www.nps.gov/rivers/wildriverslist.html#ca">http://www.nps.gov/rivers/wildriverslist.html#ca</a>   |
| 7.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Officially designated scenic area   |
| 8.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Archeological sites   |
| 9.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Floodplains Floodplain maps at the following internet website addresses:<br><a href="http://www.esri.com/hazards/makemap.html">http://www.esri.com/hazards/makemap.html</a> & <a href="http://www.fema.gov/mit/tsd/">http://www.fema.gov/mit/tsd/</a> |
| 10. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Areas of hazardous concern  |
| 11. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other _____   |

Discussion: \_\_\_\_\_

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**B. Unusual Circumstances (For All Categorical Exemptions):** Evaluate the following elements to determine if there are any unusual circumstances. For any “Yes” answers, discuss the possibility of significant environmental impacts resulting from the unusual circumstance. Consider all facilities; conveyance lines; storage, points of diversion; staging areas; and affected service area as applicable. Use attachments if necessary.

- |     | Yes                      | No                       |   |
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| 1.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In or adjacent to an area of undisturbed, unique, or high-quality habitat   |
| 2.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | On or adjacent to wildlife migration routes   |
| 3.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In an area of unique recreational facilities or resources   |
| 4.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | On or adjacent to a unique stream or water body   |
| 5.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves removal of mature, scenic trees (see class 4)  |
| 6.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves grading in a waterway or wetland (see class 4)   |
| 7.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves a substantial alteration of ground contours  |
| 8.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves new or increased use of a critically depleted groundwater basin or groundwater basin subject to salinity intrusion |
| 9.  | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In an area with important mineral resources   |
| 10. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves production of significant amounts of solid wastes or litter  |
| 11. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves substantial new or increased emission of dust, ash, smoke, fumes, odors, or other pollutants                       |
| 12. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves substantial change in noise or vibration levels in vicinity (beyond the property line)                             |
| 13. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In an area of sensitive noise receptors   |
| 14. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | On slopes of 10 percent or more or on highly erodible soil  |
| 15. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | In an officially mapped area of severe geologic hazard (see class 4)  |
| 16. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves new or increased use or disposal of hazardous materials, flammables, or explosives                                 |
| 17. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves substantial change in demand for municipal services  |
| 18. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves traffic impacts in an area with traffic problems   |
| 19. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Involves substantial increase in fuel consumption (electricity, oil, natural gas, etc.)                                     |

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C. Cumulative Impacts for All Categorical Exemptions

- Yes** **No**
1. ☐ ☐ Does the project contribute to cumulative impacts associated with successive projects of the same type at and around the project site? If yes, discuss the significance of the impacts.

Discussion: \_\_\_\_\_  
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D. Scenic Highways (For All Categorical Exemptions): Will the project result in damage to any of the following scenic resources *within view of a highway officially designated as a state scenic highway* (excluding improvements required as mitigation by an adopted Negative Declaration or certified EIR)

- Yes** **No**
1. ☐ ☐ Trees
2. ☐ ☐ Historic buildings
3. ☐ ☐ Rock outcroppings
4. ☐ ☐ Other similar resources

Name of state scenic highway: \_\_\_\_\_

Internet website address: <http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/LandArch/scenic/cahisys.htm>

E. Hazardous Waste Sites (For All Categorical Exemptions)

- Yes** **No**
1. ☐ ☐ Is the project located on a site that is included on any list compiled pursuant to Section 65962.5 of the Government Code?

F. Historical Resources (For All Categorical Exemptions)

- Yes** **No**
1. ☐ ☐ Is there a potential for the project to cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of a historical resource?

Basis for determination (literature research, records search, field surveys): \_\_\_\_\_  
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**FEDERAL COMPLIANCE** (For Projects Using Federal State Revolving Fund Money)

- A. Historic and prehistoric archeological sites, architecture, landscapes, features, structures, or objects and traditional cultural places (e.g. sacred lands): Attach record search results, survey reports, and correspondence required for compliance with the Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- B. Site on important farmland? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
☐ prime farmland ☐ unique farmland ☐ farmland of statewide importance  
Internet website address: [http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/fmmp\\_maps.htm](http://www.consrv.ca.gov/dlrp/FMMP/fmmp_maps.htm)
- C. Site within the coastal zone jurisdiction? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown
- D. Site within wild & scenic river watershed? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
Name of river \_\_\_\_\_  
Internet website address: <http://www.nps.gov/rivers/wildriverslist.html#ca>
- E. Site containing wetlands? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
Basis for determination: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- F. Site within a national forest? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
Name of national forest: \_\_\_\_\_
- G. Site within a 100-year floodplain? ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
Attach flood maps if available. Maps can be found at the following Internet addresses:  
<http://www.esri.com/hazards/makemap.html> and <http://www.fema.gov/mit/tsd/>.
- H. Federally listed threatened or endangered species ..... ☐ yes ☐ no ☐ unknown  
1. List potentially occurring federally listed species or critical habitat in the project area and/or explain why the project will not impact any federally listed species:  
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